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Passage of SB 200 Marks 55th Senate Bill Passed by Senator Campbell

AUSTIN – Today the Texas Senate unanimously passed Senate Bill 200 by State Senator Donna Campbell, marking her 55th bill authored and passed out of the Senate this legislative session.

SB 200, also known as the Taxpayer's Right to Know Act, increases transparency of government entities by requiring the Comptroller of Public Accounts to provide an online database where taxpayers can access information regarding the political boundaries, tax rates, and debt of every subdivision and taxing entity that affects them.

"The Taxpayer's Right to Know Act empowers Texas citizens by giving them easy one-stop access to important fiscal information about their cities, counties, and school districts so that they may hold their elected officials accountable," Senator Campbell said.

Originally part of her CLEAR Initiative, SB 200 was one of the first bills Senator Campbell filed before the start of the legislative session. Since then, she has authored 125 bills with 55 of those passing through committee and out of the Senate.

"Making government more accountable to the people has been a top priority for me this session. It is an honor to see so much hard work pay off to improve the lives of Texans. With just under 20 days left, I am hopeful that we can push these through the House and on to the Governor's desk."

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State Senator Donna Campbell is an emergency room physician from New Braunfels. She chairs the Veteran Affairs and Border Security Committee and represents Senate District 25.